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**Post-Office Notifications**  
*A mail will close*  
 For Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow—  
 Douglas, to-day, the 5th inst., at 7.30 A.M.  
 For Manila—Per Martineles, to-morrow  
 6th inst., at 11.30 A.M.

For Singapore, Galle, and Bombay-  
Columbian, on Tuesday next, the 10th inst.  
11.30 A.M.

MAILS BY THE "FRENCH PACKET"  
The French Mail Packet "TRAOUAD"  
will be dispatched on THURSDAY, the

Letters for Registration will be received until 10 a.m. on the 5th November.  
F. W. MITCHELL  
Postmaster, (Gay)  
Hongkong, 28th October, 1974.

**MAILS BY THE "UNITED STATES PACKET."**  
The "United States" Mail Packet "GR. REPUBLIC" will be dispatched on W. NESDAY, the 11th instant, at 3 p.m., with Mails—

States, and the United Kingdom.

The Post Office will be open for the receipt of Ordinary Letters, Books, Newspapers, until 3.30 p.m.

It is hereby notified that a line of British Mail Contract Packet has been established between Hong Kong and Zanzibar, which, by combining lines, will afford a regular means of conveyance of correspondence from Hongkong to the foreign ports on the East African Coast, as well as for Natal and the Cape Colony, St. Louis, Rio de Janeiro, Bahia, Pernambuco, and other ports applicable to them, is restricted to bona fide *Trade Patterns or Samples of Merchandise*. Goods sent for Sale, or in execution of an order (however small the quantity may be) or any articles sent by one private individual to another, will be as usual *patterns or samples*, are not admissible.

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lent and Ascension, and that henceforward postage, *which must be paid in advance*, on letters addressed to Zanzibar, Mosambique, Delagoa Bay, Natal, the Cape of Good Hope, Ascension, will be 20 cents for each half-ounce newspapers 2 cents each.

**F. W. MITCHELL**  
Postmaster General  
General Post-Office, Hongkong.

It is hereby notified that the rates of post chargeable hereof on *Letters* addressed

the United Kingdom, and to places beyond the United Kingdom, when forwarded by Fre

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It is hereby notified that henceforward the rates of postage which must be paid in advance on packets of printed papers of any material weight sent from Hongkong to the United Kingdom by the United States Mails via San Francisco, will be as follows:

For a packet not exceeding 1 ounce in weight..... 2 cents  
For a packet above 1 ounce not exceeding 2 ounces..... 4 „  
For a packet above 2 ounces not exceeding 4 ounces..... 6 „  
For a packet above 4 ounces not exceeding 8 ounces..... 8 „  
and eight cents for every additional four ounces.  
These rates apply to Printed Circulars, Price Lists, Market Reports, and all printed papers not than Newspapers, as well as to Books and Trade Patterns of Samples.

**F. W. MITCHELL,**  
*Postmaster General*



